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The following documents relating to this application are enclosed.

- Amendment and Reply (6 pages); 1.
- Copy of Form PTO-1449 filed April 28, 2004 (1 page); 2.
- Terminal Disclaimer (2 pages); 3.
- Petition for One-Month Extension of Time (1 page); 4.
- Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (1 page); 5.
- 6. Form PTO-1449 (15 pages)
- Documents listed on Form PTO-1449 (181 documents); 7.
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Applicants request consideration of the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 form. Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2)(ii), only copies of foreign patent documents and/or non-patent literature are enclosed. Copies of any listed U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications can be provided upon request. Also enclosed are English-language translations of the following Desig. ID Nos.: 154, 155, 156, 161, 162, 208, 211, 212, 217, 220, and 262.

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Applicants submit that claims 1-22 and 36-39 are in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned agent if such would further prosecution.

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